

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—On County St. A good 2-story, 12 room house with bath room, 4 porches, upstairs, 6 rooms down stairs. Hot and cold water. House painted green, roof slated. Plenty of closets and cupboards, finished in hard wood, city water, sewer. Electric lights. Lot 40 x 60. Barn 30 x 40, roof slated, painted green, running water. Electric lights. Apple, plum, and cherry trees, also a few currant bushes. Buildings in fine condition. Owner would like to dispose of property right away. Price \$2000. Apply to Nash & Hutchins. 1217

FOR SALE—At a bargain, a continuous baker oven. For information etc., inquire of L. P. Broun, 163 Mill Street. 8167

FOR SALE—200 wood buckets, one bellows, one evaporator, one gathering tub, one storage tub, and other tools pertaining to same. Price forty dollars. Inquire of A. E. Buck, East Arlington, Vt. 817

FOR SALE—The home place of the late Edward J. Murphy, situated No. 604 Gage St., in Bennington village. The property consists of a 1½ story dwelling in good repair, a fair sized barn and a lot with a frontage of about 50 feet and depth of 160 feet. Possession of the premises can be given in the early spring. For price, terms and further particulars enquire of Flora M. Murphy at 604 Gage street or at office of C. N. Powers, Savings Bank building. 817

FOR SALE—The two story frame building used for stores on the east side of Main Street, North Bennington, Vt., and the two story frame building on the south side of Houghton street, are offered for sale to close the estate of the late Geo. W. Walworth. For terms and particulars, apply to Franklin Scott, Administrator, North Bennington, Vt. 817

FOR SALE—Two miles and a half from Bennington, 1.3 of a mile from 5 cent ride to the Hoosick Falls trolley, 4 acres of extra good and tillable land. Hay to winter horse and cow. 1 mile from church, 14 miles to school. 2 story 10 room house, 18 x 24, with ell, 18 x 30, house is painted white, roof is shingled. House is well papered and plastered. Cellar under whole house. Barn 30 x 34, roof slated, has 1 horse stall and 1 cow tie, hog house 18 x 30, 150 strawberry plants, 150 currant bushes, 9 apple trees, plenty of raspberries, also some plum trees. Well water near barn, never dry. Price \$1500, if sold before April 10th, if not will be withdrawn from the market. Nash & Hutchins. 817

FOR SALE—Two story house with ell, ten rooms with bath. Located about 7 minutes walk from post-office at a point called Piazza on house. Size of lot 90 x 150. Extra good barn, with room for one horse and one cow. Wagon shed, good house with vine. Plenty of fruit trees. Good marble walks all in first class repair. Price \$1000. Apply to Nash & Hutchins. 117

FOR SALE—Property formerly owned and occupied by O. K. Wyman, 120 Putnam St., consisting of the home place and building lot. For information inquire after 9 o'clock in the evening at Columbia House, Julia M. Galt, 120 Putnam St. 817

FOR SALE—Farm of 240 acres located one mile from Shaftsbury Depot. Keeps 14 cows, 7 sheep, and 3 horses. A good 10 room house in good repair. Barn 30 x 40 and one 28 x 35. Running water to barns. Trout stream on place. R. F. D. Plenty of fruit and wood. Price \$350. Inquire of Nash & Hutchins. 917

FOR SALE—The two story frame, slate roofed dwelling No. 302 on west side Depot St., in Bennington village. This is a two story house, comparatively new and desirably located. For particulars inquire of Charles N. Powers, Real Estate Agent, Savings Bank Building. 917

FOR SALE—Two farms and one piece of woodland. Fine small farm, 16 acres, and good buildings, at Shaftsbury Depot. Farm 123 acres, good lot wood, good buildings, 1 mile from Shaftsbury Depot. Lot 133 acres, 100 in timber and 75 in pasture, 2 miles from Shaftsbury. For particulars address C. P. Oatman, Shaftsbury, Vt. 81347

WANTED

WANTED—Young men to learn the automobile business by mail and prepare for positions as chauffeurs and repair men. We make you expert in ten weeks, assist you to secure position. Pay big; work pleasant; demand for men great; reasonable; write for particulars and sample lesson. Empire Automobile Institute, Rochester, N. Y. 114207

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WANTED—Position as bookkeeper wanted by competent young lady. Address A. G. Post Office Box 0. 1117

WANTED—Middle aged woman wants to hire two or three rooms unfurnished. Address D. Hamner office. 1117

WANTED—A good new milk Jersey cow not more than six years old. At Gold-ding's, Bennington Center, Vt. 106

WANTED—To rent house and barn centrally located. Apply at Hamner office. 917

WANTED—Man wanted to learn to drive and repair automobiles in our repair shop, send stamp for particulars. New England Auto Co., 500 Tremont Street, Boston. 91347

WANTED—A single man to work on farm at once. Inquire of Ed. J. Robinson, Locust Avenue, Bennington, Vt. 9

WANTED—A cook at "The Pines." Fred M. Stevens, Hoosick Falls, N. Y. 817

WANTED—Six carpenters. Apply to H. Engleston, Manchester, Vt. 9017

WANTED—Wood to saw by gas power. Percy's, Telephone 1344. 80134

WANTED—Experienced knitters and loomers, also girls to learn. Apply to the Vermont Hosiery and Machinery Co. 817

TO RENT

TO RENT—Three furnished rooms suitable for light housekeeping. Apply to H. Harry Levin, corner North and Pleasant Sts. 317

TO RENT—One furnished and one unfurnished room. Inquire at 115 Morgan St., near Cooper's mill. 1216

TO RENT—The tenement now occupied by Dr. John R. Wilson on second floor of my store building corner Main and Silver streets. Seven rooms and large bath room; steam heat and all modern conveniences. Charles Adams. 1217

TO RENT—Convenient and low priced tenement. Inquire of Hamner. 8197

TO RENT—House corner Main and Valentine streets. Well situated for renting rooms or taking boarders. Also two rooms suitable for office. Inquire of Mrs. Edw. Norton, 310 Pleasant Street. 8124

TO RENT—Desirable tenement, offices, stores, mill property with water power individual storage lockers. Wm. E. Hawes, 200 North St. 817

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Between Eddy's and Evans' news-rooms Friday afternoon, a small black leather purse containing a few coins. Finder please leave at Spill's jewelry store. 1109

FOUND—A watch fob bearing initials E. J. L. Finder can have same by calling at J. C. Jensen's Tailor Shop and paying for this advertisement. 1217

Estate of William W. Hopkins.
STATE OF VERMONT. The Honor-able District Court of Bennington, ss. Probate Court for the District aforesaid.

To all persons interested in the estate of William W. Hopkins late of Bennington in said District, deceased: GREETING:

WHEREAS, said Court has assigned the 4th day of April next for examining and allowing the account of Otto Scott, Administrator of the estate of said deceased, and for a decree of the residue of said estate to the lawful claimants of the same, and ordered that public notice thereof be given to all persons interested in said estate by publishing this order three weeks successively previous to the day assigned, in the Bennington Evening Banner, a newspaper published at Bennington in said District;

THEREFORE, you are hereby notified to appear at the Probate Office in Bennington in said District, on the day assigned, then and there to contest the allowance of said account, if you see cause, and to establish your right as heirs, legatees and lawful claimants to said residue.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, this 11th day of March, 1910.

GRACE E. HOLT, REGISTRAR.

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The St. Albans Messenger is in favor of locating the Champlain monument on Rock Dunder, just outside Burlington harbor. Some way we should hate to see that noble natural monument reduced to being but the foundation of a mere man-made memorial. The proper site for the Champlain memorial, in our humble opinion, is on or near the ruins of the old French fort where the giant arm of Crown Point stretches out between Dulwaga bay and the main channel of the lake. If the monument is to commemorate the history of Lake Champlain why not place it in the center of historic interest?

It is as we suspected, Prof. Willis L. Morse, chief of the weather bureau, who has been roundly abused for what he was reported to have said in relation to forests and stream flow, practically agrees with others who have studied the question when it gets down to detail. Forests have little effect on the flow of streams at the time of the spring freshets when the snow goes. Reforestation will never prevent freshets at this season of the year, but forests do have a great influence in taking care of summer rainfall and in keeping the streams supplied with water during the dry months of summer and fall. Prof. Morse does not dispute this and says that he never has.

M. J. Hapgood of Peru, writes the newspapers that he purposes to be a candidate for governor. If Mr. Hapgood can show a fair support in his home county of Bennington, he will be a factor in the contest. At least he is entitled to fair treatment, and the early attempts of the Mead literary bureau to ridicule Mr. Hapgood will not help the Rutland candidate.

One is obliged to agree with all of Mr. Hapgood's propositions to demand fair treatment for him, because his sincerity of purpose and his interest in better government cannot be honestly questioned. Mr. Hapgood has offered some suggestions in public affairs that are ahead of his times, but it is not improbable that he may live to see them carried out, although he may not be the active factor in producing these changes. Mr. Hapgood, in common with all the other candidates for gubernatorial honors, will at least receive fair treatment by this paper.—Northfield News.

Down here in this county where Mr. Hapgood is better known than anywhere else we accept him for what we esteem to be his actual worth. We don't fool ourselves into thinking him perfect, but we do not refuse to recognize his good qualities just because we don't agree with all his notions. Mr. Hapgood is a champion of economy and plain, open straightforwardness in state government. The strength of his candidacy is evidenced by the men who are supporting him. For instance here in Bennington Mr. Hapgood's leading supporter is Mr. George F. Graves, president of the First National bank of Bennington. Mr. Graves is a man who does not often take an active part in politics but his judgment is unquestioned and his insight into state affairs of the keenest. When such men as he take an active interest in Mr. Hapgood's candidacy we may as well recognize the fact that the Peru candidate is developing a strength that will make him a factor in the June convention.

The Foster Postal Bill

A good deal of interest is being aroused in the bill introduced by Congressman D. J. Foster of our own state permitting the carrying of parcels on rural free delivery routes. This measure is commended by the Outlook, which says:

"There is a deficit according to Postmaster General Hitchcock of 28 million dollars in the rural delivery service. Under the present rates of postage and the regulations in the rural delivery service there will always be a deficit. If, for instance a merchant desires to send a four pound package to patrons living on a rural route extending from that merchant's postoffice he must pay sixty-four cents. But he would pay sixty-four cents if he were sending the same package to patrons living on a rural route which starts from some postoffice at the other end of the country. In the interest both of equitable individual treatment and also of financial return to the government, the matter ought to be more reasonably adjusted. There should be at least a local rate on parcels on rural routes starting from the same postoffice. Hence we are glad to note that Hon. David J. Foster of carriage of local parcels would not end in the House of Representatives. As every carrier on a rural route is prepared to transport a hundred and twenty-five pounds of mail, yet as in point of fact, he carries an average of not over twenty-five pounds, the carriage of local parcels would not entail any additional expense to the government. The return would be all net profit.

Mr. Foster would establish rates of one cent postage on parcels of

third and fourth class matter of one cent for parcels weighing two ounces or less, of two cents so on parcels weighing over four ounces and not exceeding eight, etc. No parcels would exceed eleven pounds in weight. Under such a bill with our present number of routes the return would be, so Mr. Foster believes as much as twelve million dollars a year.

"Two interests will undoubtedly oppose the bill—the express companies and the country stores. The expected opposition of the express companies to this bill can easily be understood; but it should have no weight against the public interest. As for the country stores, which have heretofore opposed the extension of the rural free delivery on account of the advantage that it might give to the big mail order concerns in the city, they will find no such cause for opposition in this bill, for by its provisions postage on packages which they send to neighboring consumers would be much less than postage which those same consumers would pay on packages from more distant stores. The country stores would thus be ultimately brought into really closer contact with the farming community instead of being detached from it. It would not be surprising if the result of the present interest in our postal service were to show itself in enactment into law, not only of Mr. Foster's measure but also of one providing for a more general parcels post."

This bill really seems like a statesmanlike measure and it is likely to bring added fame to the Vermont congressman. With the dispute over the postal deficit, involving the rates on magazines and newspapers, a bill that would decrease the shortage by \$12,000,000 approximately, while providing a service of great benefit to the farmers and the country merchants would seem to deserve hearty support.

There is a widespread belief that the postal business of the country is not run on the most approved business principles and that the deficit is larger than it needs to be.

Arguments have been advanced to prove that magazines should pay a higher rate of postage. It would seem wiser, however, to find some other method of reducing the deficit, if possible. The magazines constitute a great educational force and while some of them are rather sensational, yet they disseminate a vast amount of information on current topics. To cripple these publications or compel an advance in price that would curtail, to a large extent, the present large circulation among the people would be a cause for regret. The Foster bill seems practical and sensible and, therefore, ought to pass.—Montpelier Journal.

Waiting!

Vermont newspapers that have exhibited a preference for Dr. J. A. Mead for the governorship this year:

Rutland Daily Herald.
Rutland Daily News.
Burlington Daily News.
Fair Haven Era.
Burlington Clipper.
Swanton Courier.
Newport Express and Standard.
Island Pond Herald.
Barton Monitor.
St. Johnsbury Republican.
Bradford Opinion.
Springfield Reporter.
Ludlow Tribune.
Manchester Journal.
Brandon Union.

Vermont newspapers that have indicated a preference for F. G. Fleetwood:

St. Albans Daily Messenger.
Morrisville News and Citizen.
Morrisville Messenger.
Enosburg Standard.
Middlebury Register.
Vermont newspapers that have not yet declared definitely or even inferentially, their choice for governor of Vermont:

Burlington Free Press.
Barre Daily Times.
Montpelier Daily Journal.
Bennington Evening Banner.
Lyndonville Journal.
St. Johnsbury Caledonian.
Northfield News.
Waterbury Rec rd.
Hardwick Gazette.
Vergennes Vermonter.
White River Junction Landmark.
Poultney Journal.
Bellows Falls Times.
Brattleboro Reformer.
Brattleboro Phoenix.
Londonderry Sifter.
Groton Times.
Randolph Herald and News.
Herald and News.

A few Vermont newspapers do not come to our exchange table hence are not recorded, but so far as we know the above is a correct list up to the time of writing.

The remarkable thing about it is that with one very active candidate working for two years past and another squarely announced; with no third candidate in sight, or at this late hour likely to appear; with the convention only three months away; with pressure brought to bear on them from all sides—nearly one-half of the state press and much more than one-half the newspaper circulation, is still non-committed.

What does it mean?
Think it over—Randolph Herald and News.

BIG COLORADO WASHOUT

Jumbo Reservoir Gives Away And \$150,000 Damage Is Done

Julesburg, Col., March 12.—The big Jumbo reservoir belonging to the Julesburg Irrigation district went out suddenly yesterday, washed out two miles of Union Pacific track and did about \$150,000 damage. No lives were lost so far as is known.

YOU WILL NEED COMFORTS

as long as you live. Don't try to conceal from yourself the necessity of a permanent income. Annuity rates and particulars sent on request. Last year, National Life Insurance Co., Montpelier, Vt. (Mutual). Earle S. Kinsley, Agent, Rutland, Vt.

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